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CONDITIONAL WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR CITY OF CHICO PARK DEPARTMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION AND CLOSURE OF HORSESHOE LAKE PARKING AREA E, Butte County

The City of Chico Park Department (City) owns and operates Bidwell Park for recreational activities. A former shooting range and police pistol range are located adjacent to the Horseshoe Lake area within Upper Bidwell Park. As a result of the past activities at the shooting and police pistol range sites, lead has contaminated soil in the park. In accordance with HSC Division 20 Chapter 6.8, the City entered into a Voluntary Cleanup Agreement with the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to remediate soils impacted by lead from lead shot and polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) from clay pigeons. To comply with the agreement, the City submitted a Revised Removal Action Work Plan proposing to transport waste containing PAHs to an approved Class II disposal facility and consolidate lead contaminated waste on-site in a new waste management unit (Unit) beneath Horseshoe Lake Parking Area E. Although the lead contaminated waste appears to exhibit the characteristics of hazardous waste and/or designated waste, it is being disposed in a dedicated, site-specific, Class III Unit specifically designed and constructed to meet the performance standards of Title 27 and to protect the beneficial uses of groundwater and surface water.

Pursuant to HSC Chapter 6.8, DTSC is responsible for enforcing and overseeing Construction, Operation and Maintenance, and the recording of a Deed Restriction for the Unit. A waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements is proposed to avoid duplication. The proposed waiver requires the City to continue to participate in the DTSC Voluntary Cleanup Agreement; construct the Unit to prevent migration of wastes to adjacent geologic material, groundwater, or surface water; and comply with a Monitoring and Reporting Program. Unless renewed, the proposed waiver will terminate in 5 years. (KEB)